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**GOOD NEWS.**

**R**EPORTS from Arizona, where the early wool clip is now being marketed in Phoenix, from the shearing pens of the Salt River valley, shed a rosy glow over the horizon of New Mexico wool growers and lend encouragement to the business interests of this state. The Arizona wool, a lighter and finer wool than that of New Mexico, generally brings a considerably higher price. It is, however, generally regarded as an index of what the price to be paid later in the season in this state will be. In Arizona the early clip is selling at around 27 cents, according to a news report in yesterday's Herald. This means that 20 cents will probably be an average price in New Mexico when our 1915 clip comes in.

Even at last season's prices, the highest for several years, the wool growers of New Mexico had one of the most prosperous seasons in their history. The winter just ended has been fully as favorable for the sheep on the range-as was that of the year before. The sheep have come through in fine shape and conditions for the lambing season now at hand are fine. Put onto this a wool price from three to five cents higher than that of a year ago and we are confronted with what should be the best year in the history of New Mexico's great sheep growing industry.

**ANOTHER IRRIGATION CONGRESS.**

**A**LBUQUERQUE it appears can have another irrigation congress if we wish it, and under very much more reasonable terms than was the case in 1908, when our citizens subscribed a good many thousands of dollars to secure the session of the congress and to entertain it, from which expenditure we received no return whatever. That congress was a costly gathering for Albuquerque, not so much in the amount of our own money which we spent in entertainment, in addition to a considerable congressional appropriation; but because conditions in the country were not right, because the great crowds we had expected did not come, and because much of our outlay was found wholly unnecessary, we lost our enthusiasm for conventions. And this latter loss was a very grave one for this city.

Our people did not stop to consider the numerous causes which operated to make the national irrigation congress session here a failure. They did not keep in mind the strained financial conditions in the country and the disastrous series of dry years in the state which kept the crowds of sightseers and pleasure seekers we had looked for at home. We did not consider the fact that the irrigation congress itself, instead of being the militant organization which forced the passage of the conservation act, had become a deliberative and to a large extent a scientific and technical body for the study of irrigation, and that much of the enthusiasm for a particular cause, which had made its former meetings great popular gatherings, had gone out of the organization.

The international irrigation congress today is a convention of men to a large extent interested in the technical side of irrigation and conservation. At this time it has no special propaganda to promote and no legislation which it is aiming directly to have passed by congress. But it is a great influence in the general cause of conservation and its membership includes the leaders of the nation in irrigation development and water and other conservation.

That this congress should meet here at the time the formal celebration of the completion of the great Elephant Butte project is held, is entirely fitting. It is fitting also that the state, if congress will not assist, should bear the whole expense of this celebration; for no more important event ever has happened in New Mexico or within its borders. The Elephant Butte project, with its continuous object lesson of the miracles to be wrought by modern irrigation in this state, will be of inestimable value to the whole state. We cannot lay too much stress upon it. The whole state seems disposed to center on Albuquerque as the convention

city while the actual ceremonies of dedication of the great reservoir will take place properly at the dam; a final meeting of the congress may be held in El Paso.

Nothing like the great financial outlay of 1908 will be required of Albuquerque for the entertainment of the 1916 irrigation congress, while its sessions will attract the attention of the whole country to us. We can well afford to spend very heartily the effort being proposed through the legislature to bring the congress of 1916 to this city. It will be in all probability, as much of a surprising success, as the one of 1908 was an astounding failure from an attendance standpoint. It is a proposition which will be well worth Albuquerque's while to get behind.

**THE LIBER BILL.**

**W**E ARE informed that there is not much chance that the state senate will pass the liber bill, which was passed by the house of representatives Monday night, and which, as it went into the senate, certainly seems severe enough in its terms and penalties to satisfy the most exacting critic of the newspaper press of this state. The Montoya bill as passed remedies the outrageous condition of the venue in the present law, and while it provides a maximum of five years in the penitentiary for anyone convicted of libel, the general provisions of the law seem to be fair, and probably will be satisfactory enough to most newspapers. The average newspaper, large or small, does not commit libel deliberately. The average newspaper does damage to be free to print the truth concerning the news of the day and especially with regard to men in public office, or who are candidates for such office.

The trouble in the senate is that the men who oppose this liber bill do not want the newspapers to be permitted to print the truth. They are afraid of the truth. No other reason for opposing remedying the present shameful condition of this statute has been advanced, and we do not believe that such a reason exists. They prefer the present conditions under which a newspaper which presumes to give its readers the exact facts about this or that public official or candidate for office may be railroaded to ruin before he gets his day in court.

Even at that it is not unlikely that in the long run the clean newspapers of this state probably will come out winners over men who fear the truth.

**OUR OLD FRIEND "COAL OIL BILL."**

**A**MONG a number of old and tested friends which have appeared in connection with the present legislature is that veteran standby of the Republican party, the coal oil inspection bill, which passed the house of representatives last week with the vote of but one Republican recorded against it. The measure has been reported to the state senate where, it is to be assumed, it will remain. The present state senate during its long and at times arduous career has done some pretty raw things. It has put over what in the vernacular is known as "the rough stuff" until abundant reason has been given for the assumption that its majority membership does not give "three rousing cheers" for what the general public may think of it and its acts.

But the Herald arises to differ with those legislative prophets who predict that the majority in the senate will pass the Malinquas Maritime coal oil bill. We believe that in this measure the Republicans face a variety of the "rough stuff" which is just a little too strong even for the hardened nervous systems of the majority members. We may be wrong.

**SUMMING UP THE EVIDENCE.**

Many Albuquerque People Have Been Called as Witnesses.

Week after week has been published the testimony of Albuquerque people—kidney sufferers—backache victims—people who have endured many forms of kidney, bladder, or urinary disorders. These witnesses have given their enthusiastic approval. It's the same everywhere—60,000 American men and women are publicly recommending Doan's—always in the home papers. Isn't it a wonderful, convincing mass of proof? If you are a sufferer your verdict must be "Try Doan's first."

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**SOLOS**  
by the  
Second Fiddle.

**WHEN A REAL stand pat Republican comes, he insures something fierce. As any member of the senate caucus will testify.**

**SENATOR PAGE says we're headed toward Russian governmental conditions: That's about what the antis follow out in McKinley county have been saying.**

**IT IS HARD to enthuse about the flag when there is no money on hand for appropriations.**

**THE HOUSE has passed a bill to make every hunter who kills a wolf make an oath to that effect. The average hunter does not need a law to make his tell his prowess.**

**WHEN YOU STOP to think about it, it is a shame we let it get so late in the season that we couldn't pass a taxalen law.**

**REPUBLICAN SENATORS repudiated the party platform pledge to repeat the \$1 head tax for roads. There is nothing like being consistent.**

**THE ROAD REPEAL back-up just about completes the list.**

**NINE amendments to the salary bill have been introduced, all tending to increase the bonus.**

**ANY OF THE BOYS overlooked in the original can be cared for in the amendments.**

**EVEN IF we haven't time to pass a tax law.**

**THE HOUSE has voted \$20,000 to reproduce the state building at San Diego, in Santa Fe. It now looks as if we would have no further use for it at San Diego. The reproduction need not be delayed.**

**THE PEN committee finds the state prison needs a new building. We can locate a scandal like that at every state institution on the list.**

**WE NOTE among other measures of constructive legislation signed by the governor, one providing for more pay for judges and clerks in justice of the peace elections.**

**A BILL passed at Santa Fe these days without the "emergency clause" is looked on with grave suspicion. It's queer.**

**"SOMEBODY BLUNDERED!"**

**NOW WHAT do you know about that?**

**WE ARE ABOUT to create the additional office of district county clerk, which will help along the salary bonus quite a lot.**

**PERSONS who have examined the referendum in our constitution admit that it is a blame hard matter to invoke it.**

**IT IS SO arranged that the people can have nothing whatever to say about laws "necessary for the public peace, health and safety."**

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**AN interesting exhibit which will be shown by the United States geological survey at the Panama-Pacific exposition in San Francisco, will be the illustration of the development of the surface features of the United States and adjoining lands—the gradual rise of the continent from the primal ocean and the accompanying development of life—a pictorial story of progress from the early sea and the huge half-reptile creatures known as murians to the higher mammals such as the great saber-tooth tiger and the gaunt hyena.**

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